(SHRI EDUARDO FALE1RO) : (a) and (b) State Bank of India (SBI) has reported that its Saket Branch is located in residential area. The premises for Saket Branch were selected on the basis of its suitability. SBI has reported that it is paying a monthly rent of Rs. 13580 which includes the element of composition fee of Rs. 3880 payable to DDA. The entire branch furniture/fittings have been provided by the landlord for which Bank is paying Rs. 4941.50 towards hiring charges. According to SBI the rent paid by it works out to Rs. 8.50 per sq. ft. covered area whereas the available premises in the commercial area of Saket were offered at Rs. 9 or Rs. 10 per sq. ft.

(c) SBI has reported that no case in respect of Saket Branch is pending at District Court of Delhi for misuse of residential area.

(d) and (e) Some Hon'ble Members had raised the question of hiring of premises by SBI for their Saket Branch. On the basis of facts furnished by SBI, leasing of Saket premises was found in order.

Fire Fighting equipments in PVCSmall Scale Industries in the capital

3845. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a great danger to the life and property of the people due to the non-installation of fire fighting equipments in the PVC/small scale/household industries in the Capital particularly in Tri 'Nagar, Uttam Nagar and its adjoining areas ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these industries have not so far obtained 'No Objection Certificates' from Delhi Fire Service ;

(c) whether Factory Licensing Department of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi has ever taken any action in this regard and if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government propose to inquire into the matter and Issue orders for the installation of fire fighting equipment by all the small scale household PVC industries in those area and if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE- MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Decline in Export of Tobacco to China

3846. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that export of tobacco to China has been changed to 'Documents on Acceptance' from that of 'Documents on Presentation' for the last half a decade;

(b) what quantity of F.C.V. tobacco was exported to China during the last five years' year-wise; and

(c) whether there is any decline in the export of tobacco in recent years; and if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE* (SHRI DINESH SINGH) : (a) The exports of tobacco to China have been permitted in August, 1987, on Documents against Acceptance terms with time stipulation of 30 days, within which collection would be made after discharge of Cargo at the port of destination.

(b) The quantity of tobacco exported to China during the last five years as reported by the Tobacco Board is :—

| Year | (In tons) |
|---|---|
| 1983-84 | 200 |
| 1984-85 | — |
| 1985-86 | — |
| 1986-87 | 698 |
| 1987-88 | 432 (Provisional) |